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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF THE
LICENSE OF

RENEE V. STRACK
License # 18KT00391900

TO PRACTICE MASSAGE AND
BODYWORK THERAPY IN THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("the Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent, Renee V. Strack, is a licensed massage and bodywork therapist in the State of New Jersey, and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.

2. Respondent applied for certification by the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee on or about January 31, 2006.

3. Respondent indicated on the application that she had never been arrested for a crime or offense.

4. The results of the Criminal History Background Check indicated that Respondent had been arrested on September 1, 1996 for possession of marijuana and of drug paraphernalia.

5. On or about November 8, 2012, the Board wrote to Respondent by certified and regular mail, asking for information and documentation relating to the 1996 arrest. The certified mailing was returned, marked "unclaimed, unable to forward." The regular mailing was not returned.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent's indication on her application that she had never been arrested for a crime or offense constitutes dishonesty or misrepresentation in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

2. Respondent's failure to respond to the Board's inquiry constitutes a failure to cooperate with a Board investigation within the intendment of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, - 1.3, subjecting Respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions of law, a Provisional Order of Discipline was issued on August 23, 2013, provisionally assessing a civil monetary penalty in the amount of \$100.00 upon Respondent for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b) and (e), and a copy was forwarded to Respondent by means of both regular and certified mail to her address of record. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization

by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th business day following entry unless Respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting Respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Respondent submitted a letter dated September 10, 2013, in which she stated her license was not renewed in 2010, but was in good standing at that time. She did not address her failure to disclose her arrest on her application, or her failure to respond to the subsequent inquiries of the Board, other than to characterize the circumstances as an: "enormous WASTE (sic) of tax payer money, [her] time and [the Board's] time."

By letter to the Board dated November 26, 2013, Susan Carboni, Deputy Attorney General, replied to Respondent's submission by noting that Respondent's position seemed to be: "Yes, I did not tell the truth on my application, but you have some nerve not catching me sooner!"

Respondent's submissions and the reply thereto were reviewed by the Board. The Board determined that further proceedings were not necessary, and that no discrepancies of material fact had been raised.

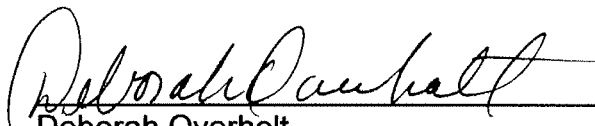
ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 17th day of December, 2013,
ORDERED that:

1. A \$100.00 civil penalty is hereby imposed upon Respondent for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b) and (e).

2. Payment shall be by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey, and shall be sent to: Laura Anderson, Executive Director, New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 45048, Newark, New Jersey 07101, no later than ten (10) days from the date of this Order.
3. Failure to comply with any provisions of this Order or remit any and all payments required by this Order will result in the filing of a certificate of debt and may result in subsequent disciplinary proceedings for failure to comply with an Order of the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

By:


Deborah Overholt
Board Chairperson